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In re application of: Dubelsten et al.

Art Unit: 1732

Application No. 09/336,339

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Filed: June 18, 1999

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
CONTINUOUS FORMATION OF
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

This responds to the Office action dated March 26, 2003. Applicants request reconsideration of this application.

Please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

93 (Amended Three Times) A single-layered cellulosic and waste thermoplastic composite product comprising a first surface and a second surface, the product having longer cellulosic flakes oriented substantially in a first direction and positioned adjacent the first and second surfaces and continuously graduating to shorter cellulosic flakes at a center portion of the product.

94. (Amended) The product according to claim 93 further comprising a cellulosic fines layer adjacent the first and second surfaces having a thickness of from about 1/48 inch to about 3/4 inch.